

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 604
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Brent McNew, 2003
Valedictorian of Loudon High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Brent McNew is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Loudon High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. McNew has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and in our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Brent McNew has earned an exemplary 4.229 grade point average and has been honored with the Optimist Club Award and the Henry Blackburn Student Athlete Award, was nominated for the National High School Heisman Award, and has been named a Furman Scholar; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and well-rounded young man, Mr. McNew has excelled in both academic and athletics, and as a valuable member of the basketball, baseball,

and football teams, he has been decorated individually and as a member of the Loudon High School team for his performance on the playing field; he also achieved the rank of First Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do; and

WHEREAS, Brent McNew has also served as Class President, as a Student Council Representative, as the Loudon High School Representative to the Loudon County School Board, as the President of Mu Alpha Theta, and as a Delegate to Boys State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McNew is highly involved in his community, and as a member of the Leo Club, the Key Club, and the National Honor Society, he participated in various service projects, lending his remarkable talents to the betterment of society; and

WHEREAS, Brent McNew has also served as a peer tutor and as a Volunteer with the Fort Sanders Loudon Emergency Medical Services Explorer Post 222; and

WHEREAS, a faithful member of Prospect Baptist Church, Mr. McNew has served as President of the Youth Council, as the Youth Representative to the Youth Committee, as a Choir Member, as a Volunteer with Vacation Bible School, and as a Host and Volunteer with World Changers; and

WHEREAS, Brent McNew is widely respected by his peers, even being voted “Most Likely to Succeed”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McNew’s display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Brent McNew’s noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McNew’s dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Loudon High School Valedictorian,

Brent McNew, on his impressive academic achievement, extending to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.